

work so that all people can enjoy their God-given rights. This Women's Equality Day, as we celebrate the 85th anniversary of the 19th Amendment, we honor the perseverance, leadership, and achievements of the suffragists and all of America's women, and we renew our commitment to equal justice and dignity for all.

Now, Therefore, I, George W. Bush, President of the United States of America, by virtue of the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim August 26, 2005, as Women's Equality Day. I call upon the people of the United States to observe this day with appropriate programs and activities.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand this twenty-fifth day of August, in the year of our Lord two thousand five, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirtieth.

George W. Bush

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NOTE: This proclamation will be published in the *Federal Register* on August 30.

Digest of Other White House Announcements

The following list includes the President's public schedule and other items of general interest announced by the Office of the Press Secretary and not included elsewhere in this issue.

August 20

In the morning, at the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he went for a bicycle ride with 2005 Tour de France winner Lance Armstrong.

August 22

In the morning, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Salt Lake City, UT. While en route aboard Air Force One, he had an intelligence briefing. Upon arrival in Salt

Lake City, he met with USA Freedom Corps volunteer Willie Hunsaker.

In the afternoon, the President and Mrs. Bush traveled to Donnelly, ID.

The President declared a major disaster in Wyoming and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by a tornado on August 12.

August 23

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

The White House announced that the President will welcome President Hu Jintao of China to the White House on September 7.

The President announced his intention to nominate Thomas O. Barnett to be Assistant Attorney General (Antitrust Division).

The President announced his intention to nominate Clay Lowery to be Deputy Under Secretary of the Treasury (International Affairs) and, upon confirmation, to designate him as Assistant Secretary of the Treasury (International Affairs).

The President announced his intention to nominate John M. Molino to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Policy and Planning).

The President announced his intention to nominate Lisette M. Mondello to be Assistant Secretary of Veterans Affairs (Public and Intergovernmental Affairs).

The President announced his intention to appoint Charles E. Allen as Assistant Secretary for Information Analysis at the Department of Homeland Security.

The President declared a major disaster in Kansas and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by severe storms and flooding on June 30 through July 1.

The President declared a major disaster in Louisiana and ordered Federal aid to supplement State and local recovery efforts in the area struck by Tropical Storm Cindy on July 5–6.

August 24

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he and Mrs. Bush traveled to Nampa, ID.

In the afternoon, the President met with families of U.S. military personnel killed in Iraq and Afghanistan.

During the day, the President had a telephone conversation with Abdul Aziz Al-Hakim, chairman, Supreme Council for the Islamic Revolution in Iraq, to discuss current developments in Iraq's constitutional process.

In the evening, the President and Mrs. Bush returned to the Bush Ranch in Crawford, TX.

The President announced his designation of the following individuals as members of the Presidential delegation to Gdansk, Poland, to attend the 25th Anniversary of the Solidarity Movement, on August 31: James A. Baker III (head of delegation); Victor Ashe; Daniel Fried; Hank Brown; and Irena Kirkland.

August 25

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing. Later, he went for a bicycle ride.

Throughout the day, the President received updates on Hurricane Katrina.

The President announced his intention to nominate James M. Andrew to be Administrator of the Rural Utilities Service at the Department of Agriculture.

The President announced his intention to nominate David B. Dunn to be Ambassador to the Togolese Republic.

The President announced his intention to nominate Dale W. Meyerrose to be Chief Information Officer at the Office of the Director of National Intelligence.

August 26

In the morning, the President had an intelligence briefing.

Nominations Submitted to the Senate

NOTE: No nominations were submitted to the Senate during the period covered by this issue.

Checklist of White House Press Releases

The following list contains releases of the Office of the Press Secretary that are neither printed as items nor covered by entries in the Digest of Other White House Announcements.

Released August 22

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Trent Duffy

Transcript of a teleconference press briefing by Acting Assistant Secretary for Democracy, Human Rights, and Labor Michael G. Kozak on the U.S. human rights policy toward North Korea

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Wyoming

Statement by the Press Secretary on the submission of a draft constitution to Iraq's National Assembly

Fact sheet: President Bush Honors America's Veterans and Soldiers

Released August 23

Statement by the Press Secretary: Visit of President Hu Jintao of the People's Republic of China

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Kansas

Statement by the Press Secretary on disaster assistance to Louisiana

Released August 24

Fact sheet: President Bush Honors America's National Guard and Reserve

Released August 25

Transcript of a press gaggle by Deputy Press Secretary Trent Duffy

Acts Approved by the President

NOTE: No acts approved by the President were received by the Office of the Federal Register during the period covered by this issue.